

Modern Computational Accelerator Physics

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2D Rectangular space charge solver

- 2D solvers are fast (compared with the more realistic 3D solvers).
- The beam density is assumed to be longitudinally uniform or to be weakly longitudinal dependent.
- The Poisson equation reduces to

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\rho(x, y)}{\epsilon_0}$$

- Different solvers calculate the potential employing different approximations.
- It produces only transverse kicks.

Particle In Cell (PIC) Solvers

- Grid based techniques
- The PIC solvers follow the following steps:
 - The charge is deposited on a numerical grid.
 - The electric field is calculated on the grid.
 - The electric field is interpolated from the grid at the particle position.

Conducting rectangular boundary

- The beam pipe is rectangular and made from a perfect conducting material.
- These assumptions imply

$$\Psi(x = 0, y) = \Psi(x = L_x, y) = 0$$

$$\Psi(x, y = 0) = \Psi(x, y = L_y) = 0$$

where the pipe horizontal and vertical dimensions are L_x and respectively L_y .

- The numerical grid in our solver covers the transversal cross-section of the pipe.

- Define the grid.
- Deposit the particle on the four nearest grid points (*Cloud in Cell method*).
 - If the grid point is at distance (offset_x, offset_y) from the particle, deposit the weight $(1-\text{offset_x}) \cdot (1-\text{offset_y})$.
 - offset_x and offset_y are scaled by the grid cell size.
 - This is not the only possible way to deposit charge on a grid.

Assignment 1

- Run the script `bunch.py` and try to understand it.
 - The script `bunch.py` creates a gaussian bunch with a given covariance.
 - The bunch object is imported from `synergia`.
 - Synergia functions used are:
 - `Reference_particle(proton_charge, mass, total_energy)`
 - `Bunch(reference_particle, numbers_of_macroparticles, real_number_of_protons, comm)`
 - `populate_6d(dist, bunch, means, covariance_matrix)`
 - `print_matched_parameters(Cmat, beta, bunch_number)`
- The script `charge_deposit.py` deposits the beam charge on a rectangular grid.

Run the script and try to understand it. Increase the grid number of points. Notice that for a very fine grid a charge deposition which goes beyond the four nearest grid points would produce a smoother distribution.

Poisson equation

- The Poisson equation can be solved in the Fourier space.
- The potential (or any function which vanish on a rectangular boundary) can be written as

$$\Psi(x, y) = \sum_{m, n > 0}^{\infty} \Psi_{mn} \sin \frac{\pi m x}{L_x} \sin \frac{\pi n y}{L_y}$$

where

$$\Psi_{mn} = \frac{4}{L_x L_y} \int_0^{L_x} dx \int_0^{L_y} dy \Psi(x, y) \sin \frac{\pi m x}{L_x} \sin \frac{\pi n y}{L_y}$$

In the Fourier space the Poisson equation is

$$\left(\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L_x^2} + \frac{\pi^2 n^2}{L_y^2} \right) \Psi_{mn} = \frac{\rho_{mn}}{\epsilon_0}$$

- The electric field E_x on the grid is given by

$$E_x(x, y) = -\frac{\Psi(x + h_x, y) - \Psi(x - h_x, y)}{2h_x}$$

where h_x is the grid cell size.

- Analogous expression for E_y .

Assignment 2

- Write a python script which calculates the electric potential on a grid with zero rectangular boundary conditions. For the charge deposition use `charge_deposit.py`.
 - Use `synergia.foundation.pconstants.epsilon0` for ϵ_0
- Make a 3D plot of the potential.

Assignment 3

- Calculate the electric fields E_x and E_y on the grid.
- Make 3D plots of E_x and E_y .